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Ernest A. Kehr

By this time Linn's readers — even the most recent subscribers — must be familiar with the Ernest A. Kehr by-line. Like the Dutch, Egyptian and Swiss specials that preceded it, this Finnish Edition of LINN's was planned, prepared and co-edited by him.

Mr. Kehr is personally familiar with Finland—from the Baltic Sea tip to Arctic Lapland—having toured it several times during his global odysseys.

His work in promoting international understanding and goodwill, chiefly through stamps and journalism, is widely known and appreciated. It was Kehr who initiated (and still is chairman) of the Philatelic Program of International Letter Writing Week, which became a major unit of President Dwight D. Eisenhower's People-to-People project.

A number of governments have given him their highest decorations in gratitude for this work of developing goodwill, among them Queen Juliana, President Theodor Heuss, the late Pope Pius XII and Spain.

Oregon Pony Express Rides Again In June

Pony Express mail service will return to Oregon next year as a feature of the State's 100th Anniversary celebration. Riders will carry letters throughout the state from June 7 to 10. Special envelopes have been printed for the event which give collectors an opportunity to own one of the official Pony Express envelopes.

The Pony Express, Inc. headquarters have been established in room 701 Times Bldg., Portland, Ore., with Jack Matlack as manager. He reports the committee in charge will limit the orders to what the relay riders now signed up can carry.

All covers will be authentic and actually carried across Oregon, some 450 miles, by horse and rider. Once out of the state, they will be placed in regular post offices to continue to their destinations.

The original Pony Express routes last operated in 1863, when diehard J. W. Shepherd sold his eastern Oregon run to Wells Fargo for \$3,000. Mail on the 1959 rerun will be franked with the February 14 Oregon Centennial commemorative and the Pony Express item of 1940.

Covers with a cachet depicting a pony express rider are priced at \$1 each. All orders should be sent to The Pony Express, Inc., at the address given. Each order will be acknowledged with a postcard giving further information about the event along with information as to the probable date of delivery.

Belgian Dealer Had Covers "From Mars"

According to a recent article in the Chicago, Ill. Bohemian newspaper "Hlasatel", as supplied and translated by Edward Pechen of Stafford Springs, Conn., Belgian police have put an end to a Brussels dealer's thriving business in stamps and covers from Mars.

One Robert Hampis, so the report relates, had done a nice business for several months, supplying eager collectors with Martian rarities to fit into their IGY and airmail collections. His bubble burst, however, when his 763rd customer detected too many traces of earth man handiwork in the assorted gems and went to the authorities.

Police gave Hampis 14 months in prison in appreciation of his unscientific geophysical year activities.

New Philippines 5c For Cathedral

A new 5c stamp will be placed on sale December 8 to mark the inauguration of the newly reconstructed sixth Manila Cathedral in Intramuros on that date.

The edifice is the central motif of the stamp. The inset pictures the immaculate Conception on a crescent and the patroness of the Cathedral on the upper left.



The text "Philippines" is on the upper right side and the denomination "5c" and "Postage" in two lines are on the lower left corner of the stamp. "Inauguration, Manila Cathedral, December 8, 1958" runs across the bottom.

The new adhesive will be blue, yellow and red, in sheets of 50; edition one million. A special cachet and first day cancellation will be used on the day of issue, according to the official publicity release.

The First Manila Cathedral, built in 1581, was destroyed by fire in 1582. The second was built of stone in 1592 and destroyed by an earthquake in 1600. The third was built in 1614 and destroyed by the San Andres earthquake in 1645.

The fourth cathedral, magnificently built in 1654-1662 by Archbishop Miguel Poblete, was destroyed by the earthquake of June 3, 1863. The fifth was built in 1870-1879 under architects Luciano Oliver, Vincente Serrano Salaverria and Eduardo Lopez Navarro. It was solemnly blessed in December 1879. The center of the cross on the dome was the reference point of all astronomical longitudes of the archipelago. The cathedral was again destroyed during the liberation of Manila from the Japanese in 1945.

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Plans for 1959 include an auction scheduled for February 17. Both members and non-members are urged to submit material starting with the December meeting so that it may be cataloged at an early date.

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1, C1 Unity, 2 lg. colorful is.20		.10
2 Cotton08			
3 1m Farm Wife (5)05			
4 2m Mosque05			
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	386	Nationalization of Suez Canal	35					
	387	International Museum Week	15					
	388	Defenders of Port Said	15					
	389	Evacuation of Troops	15					
	390	Railway System	15					
	391	Mothers Day	15					
	392	Victory at Rosetta	12					
	393	100m Suez Canal, scarce	50					
	394	Gaza Strip	12					
	395-7	University Cairo Al-Azhar	25					
	398	Shepherds Hotel	10					
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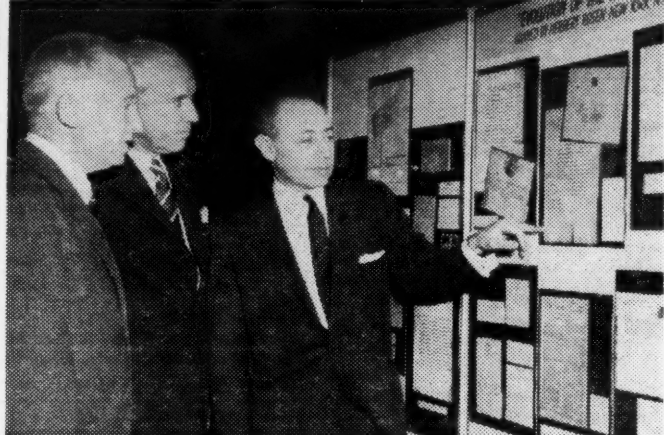
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Later, when stocks became exhausted, and as numerous foreign collectors and dealers desired to purchase current, valid stamps, the service was expanded to include the philatelic sales of all available ones. In the course of years this philatelic service was further developed and enlarged to meet all expectations of the philatelic fraternity.

Today it operates as a special section directly under the Economic Division of the General Direction of Posts and Telegraphs. The office is located on the second floor of the main post office in Helsinki and is open daily for a period of seven and a half hours.

The growth of the service is obvious when one considers that it has a manager, five regular officials, and on special busy occasions more temporary clerks are assigned to it. In this section clients may buy stamps in person, or, if they live in the provinces or overseas, by mail. Upon request the philatelic services will gratuitously send a complete list of all stamps available for sale at the time of inquiry. The list is constantly kept up to date and a new one accompanies every order dispatched.

Practical advice about how to pay for orders, is also contained. Foreigners are recommended to send payment in advance either by international postal money order, or by check in a registered letter. It is impossible to accept Finnish currency as payment for Finnish stamps when they are ordered by a foreign client. No stamps sold will be exchanged or redeemed. All sales are final.

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This section also offers first-day cover service and provides letters with special postmarks. The client may submit self-addressed envelopes to the section, by which new stamps are affixed and properly postmarked for dispatch. Special postmarks are used in conjunction with certain new stamps, at other times the normal markings are applied.

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The philatelic service has increased its business steadily. In 1955 the sales amounted to 26 million Finnish marks; in 1956, it was 44 million, and in 1957, 47 million. This year it is expected to surpass the 70 million mark figure.

Records show that last year it filled 7000 orders and received 1000 inquiries; 14,000 registered, and 42,000 ordinary letter were dispatched. Three years ago the corresponding figures were 50% lower.

Foreign orders account for a large increase in the section's business. Following the International Exhibition in Helsinki in 1956, inquiries about Finnish stamps have grown in number. The devaluation of currency in 1957 also accounted for a large part of the sales.

The philatelic services of Finland will be developed constantly; improvements will be made where deficiencies are discovered.

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New Nations Are Being Born Almost Yearly

The above headline is lifted from a letter from Mr. Bernard Davis of the National Philatelic Museum of Philadelphia. Mr. Davis was replying to a letter from Mr. C. W. Berghorn of The Strafford Historical Society Inc., of Strafford, Vermont. Mr. Berghorn had written Mr. Davis asking for a list of countries that had gained independence since 1900.

This is a very fascinating subject and perhaps will be astonishing to many. The reply from Mr. Davis to Mr. Berghorn amazed us. We can best give you the facts by quoting from the former's letter which we quote here.

"Naturally, anyone using Scott's Catalog, volumes 1 and 2, and examining each country in question would find the new nations which have sprung up through wars, etc. However, Scott's Catalog would be one or two years behind.

"New nations are being born almost yearly. During the past two years, the Sudan, Morocco, Tunisia and Ghana became fully independent nations. During the coming five years, Somalia, Sierra Leone, Togo, the French and British Cameroons and the enormous territory of Nigeria are expected to win their independence or to join other independent countries. Nigeria with its 40 million people will be the most populous independent state in Africa, about as large as Egypt and the Union of South Africa put together. In addition, French West and Equatorial Africa, comprising twelve territories with a population of some 24 million people, are already close to full internal home rule. This means that during the seven years ending in 1962 nearly 100 million Africans will probably have transferred from European to African rule.

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"Of course, Guinea has proclaimed itself an independent republic but it wants to remain associated with France. The new state also wants to join the UN.

"France granted the West African territory sovereignty after it voted against the new French constitution.

"We have just learned that France is to loosen its grip on Togoland. Bernard Cornut-Gentille, Minister for Overseas France, indicated Togoland would receive full internal autonomy as a step toward independence. He said the change in the country's status would be made in conformity with a promise made to the General Assembly of the United Nations in November 1957.

"Under that pledge France would control only Togoland's foreign affairs, defense and currency. All other matters presumably would be left in local hands.

"As you can readily see, we are confronted with a continuously changing map of the world and your query has given us a most interesting idea of having a stamp exhibition in the museum of countries which have become independent since 1900. However, it will be a while before a careful checklist is prepared and suitable material assembled to make such a show of considerable philatelic interest. It may also be a topic, and with interest in thematic collecting another phase of topical collecting could be inaugurated. At any rate, we are glad to have your letter and hope that our reply will aid you in your undertaking."

This is indeed a very interesting subject and has a great many more possibilities in world politics than it has in stamp collecting. All of these countries while under the protection of a mother country were more or less safe from communistic influence but with independence coming to them they will be like raw meat to the Russian Bear. The great bulk of the population of most of these countries concerned is far from being educated to the extent that they can properly accept the responsibilities that will come to them, they will need honest help and guidance.

From the philatelic standpoint we can wonder if some of these new countries may come within the grasp of some smart promoter who could exploit their postal issues to great advantage to himself but to the regret of the stamp collector who would be led to the slaughter.

Mr. Berghorn has indeed brought up a very interesting subject and we thank Mr. Davis for calling it to our attention. Just remember this editorial and watch development as the years come along.

Philatelic Congress Prize To R. G. Stone

A detailed study, "The Postal Rates of France and Colonies" by Robert G. Stone, has won the McCoy Award of The American Philatelic Congress. The study appears in the Congress Book 1958, edited by Dr. George L. Fite, in conjunction with the recently held 14th American Philatelic Congress at Hotel New Yorker, New York City.

The McCoy Award was established by Mrs. Ethel McCoy as a memorial to her husband, Walter R. McCoy, who was editor of six of the Congress Books, 1944 through 1950. The Award is for the paper adjudged best in the Congress Book. Previous McCoy award winners have been John B. Kaiser, C. Corwith Wagner, Barbara R. Mueller, Thomas Doane Perry, and John N. Myer.

The Congress Book 1958 includes many outstanding articles. Data on this edition and other available Congress Books may be obtained from Mrs. Conway Zirkle, secretary-treasurer, The American Philatelic Congress, 2307 Secane Rd., Secane, Pa.

Commem. New 2S. Value From Austria

In Austria the December 7 "Day of the Postage Stamp" was noted by the December 3 release of a 2.40 Schilling plus 60 groschen commemorative in large horizontal format. It was valid for postage beginning December 6. The surtax will be used for promoting Austrian stamps and philately.

The design shows the new post office in the Tyrolean town of Kitzbuehel, after a design by Stephan Koller, engraved by Georg Wimmer. The edition of 980,000 copies was recess printed in bright blue, in sheets of 50, by the Austrian State Printing Works.

Another adhesive was released November 26, valid the 29th, as an addition to the regular series, of 2S. value and dark blue, it pictures the church at Christkindl in Upper Austria, a Catholic shrine. The design was by Prof. Hans Strohofer, with printing by the State Works in sheets of 100, according to official dispatches supplied by Edwin Mueller, 522 5th Ave., New York 36, N. Y.

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Stamp Day Topicals From Spanish Area

Birds, butterflies, fish, and fishing boats provided the attractive motifs of the three-sets of three charity stamps each, issued November 23 for the Spanish provinces of Ilni, Guinea and Sahara. The occasion was to note the "Day of the Stamp", according to a copy of the official news release supplied by Carlos Lenze, Barquillo 29, Madrid, Spain.



The three sets are identical in values—10c plus 5c, 25c plus 10c, and 50c plus 10c. The Ilni values show in order a skate, a shark, and three sailing fishing boats; printing, 626,000 level sets. The Guinea trio depicts butterflies throughout (751,000 sets), while the Sahara favors birds. Here, again, the printing was 626,000 sets.



The stamps will remain valid without time limit. All nine are intended for ordinary mail primarily, and their use is entirely voluntary, according to the official statement. Printing in all cases was done by the National Mint in Madrid, with the plates earmarked for destruction after completion of the project.

"COMPEX '59" Plans Now Being Prepared

The combined Philatelic Exhibition of Chicagoland, Inc., "COMPEX" will stage another gigantic philatelic festival in connection with the Pan American Games of which Chicago will be the official host. "COMPEX '59" will run August 26-30, 1959.

Once again, the Hotel La Salle has been chosen as the site of this affair. The United States Post Office Department will issue a commemorative stamp in honor of the Pan American Games and COMPEX will have a special post office station as well as special cancellations to mark this event.

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Visitors are cordially invited to attend, and to enjoy these reports of delightful contacts with foreign friends from all corners of the earth. Each collector is reminded to bring a 50c gift for the grab bag.

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ALREADY ISSUED

1100 — Gardening 3c, Ithaca, N. Y., March 15.
1101 — Liberty 3c "Glori", Cleveland, Ohio, March 22.
1102 — Revere 25c regular, Boston Mass., April 18.
1104 — Brussels Exhibition 2c, Detroit Mich., April 17.
1105 — Monroe 3c, Montross, Va., April 25.
1106 — Minnesota Statehood 3c, St. Paul, Minn., May 11.
1107 — IGY 3c, Chicago, Ill., May 31.
1108 — Gunston Hall 3c, Lorton, Va., June 12.
1109 — Mackinac Bridge 3c, Mackinaw City and St. Ignace, Mich. June 25.
1110-11 — Simon Bolivar "Champions of Liberty", 4c and 8c, Washington, D.C. July 24.
1052 — Lincoln 4c coil, Mandan, N. D., July 31.
1093a — Lincoln 4c booklet, Wheeling, W. Va., July 31.
C50 — Airmail 5c, Colorado Springs, Colo., July 31.
C51 — Airmail 7c, Philadelphia, Pa., July 31.
C51a — Airmail 7c booklet, San Antonio, Texas, July 31.
C52 — Airmail 7c coil, Miami, Fla., July 31.
U536 — Franklin 4c envelope, Montpelier, Vt., July 31.
U526 — Airmail 7c envelope, Dayton, Ohio, July 31.
Liberty 3c reply card, Boise, Idaho, July 31.
Airmail 5c postal card, Wichita, Kans., July 31.
Liberty 3c postal card, Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 1.
1112 — Atlantic Cable 4c, New York City, August 13.
1115 — Lincoln-Douglas Debates 4c, Freeport, Ill., August 27.
Air Letter Sheet 10c, St. Louis, Mo., September 12.
1117-18 — Laos Kossuth "Champions of Liberty" 4c and 8c, Washington, D. C., September 19.
1119 — Journalism 4c, Columbia, Mo., September 22.
1120 — Overland Mail 4c, San Francisco, Calif., October 16.
1121 — Noah Webster 4c, West Hartford, Conn., October 16.
1122 — Forest Conservation 4c, Tucson, Ariz., October 27.
U537 — Jet airmail 7c envelope, New York City, November 21.
1123 — 200th Anniversary of Pittsburgh 4c, Pittsburgh, Pa., November 25.

UNITED NATIONS

Dec. 10 — Human Rights Day 4c and 8c.
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I had, and still have, a great deal
of admiration and friendship for the
Finnish people. The Finns have had
a "hard way to go" as a nation
since independence from Russia -
they have been courageous and re-
sourceful - and always a friend of
the United States.

Up to this point Finland's stamps
are reasonably priced at the deal-
ers, well designed and possible of
completion. I'll qualify the "comple-
tion" statement by confining the is-
sues to those since it became an
independent republic.

I have been attempting, as a kind
of specialized endeavor, to get ev-
ery one of the plate blocks from the
first to No. 1000. This, of course, is
not "supermarket" stuff where you
can walk right in and buy all your
purses can stand. You have to hunt
and hunt, and 99% per cent of the
time, outside the U. S. At last count
I had about 500, just half, with some
real scarce ones included. The cost
of the latter was equivalent in some
cases to "leaving my right arm!"

It is all fun - Finland is a top-
notch nation philatelically - you
can complete the country as a re-
public.

1. What commens has a specific
tie-in with Finland?
2. The stamp of Question No. 1
was the second of that number of
adhesives per pane to be issued by
the U.S. Which was the first?

This year's 10th annual National
Postage Stamp Show sponsored by
the American Stamp Dealers' Assn.
was the largest ever in the num-
ber of people attending, and in the
various businesses which had booths
there. We obtained more subscrip-
tions than ever before which fact
puts our PAID Circulation a bit over
62,000.

A great deal of the increase is
due to the grand people who brought
their friends and acquaintances to
our booth and had them sign up.
I believe much of our general gain
is due to this same enthusiasm and
loyalty which our subscribers hold
for us. It is my sincere belief that
our readers take pleasure and pride
in belonging to the Linn's family of
readers. It's wonderful to be backed
with that kind of spirit.

Most of the dealers reported very
good business. Some who didn't
were ready to admit they did not
bring enough stock from which to
make sales. People were there with
cash money on each of the three
days. On Sunday, for instance, there
was a line 400 yards long and four
abreast, to the entrance of the Ar-
mory, of people who wanted in, and
finally did get in.

The various societies seemed to
do well. Presidents Charles Crat-
senberg (APS) and Larry Edmunds
(SPA) were pleased with the new
members they'd signed up, as were
the folks of the ATA and BIA. As
in other years, the Stamps For
The Wounded organization was on hand
to gather material for hospitalized
veterans in the VA Hospitals. At the
close of the show Ernie Kehr and
George Silberberg made the rounds
of the dealers with a large box and
accepted anything and everything
the dealers did not want to carry
back to their stores with them. They
turned up some very nice items,
too.

The Post Office Department was
not able to offer something really
attractive, such as a commem, this
year, but it did make the new 7c
stamped airmail envelope available
on November 21. The temporary post
office in the Armory besides serv-
ing and selling the new envelope,
also had a stock of stamps similar
to those one can buy from the
Philatelic Agency in Washington.

This post office was operated with
the usual efficiency and friendliness
of years past. It is always a pleas-
ure to again meet its employees
many of whom have been at the
ASDA Show since the very first and
are well acquainted with the rugged
schedule of the three days and the
demands made on them by collec-
tors. The NYC postmaster can feel
confident with that crew on the job.

Up from Washington and the POD
were the "old reliables", Franklin
Bruns, Head of the Philatelic Divi-
sion, and Stanley Hodziewicz, Cur-
ator of the Philatelic Museum. On
hand for her first ASDA Show was

Lee Bowlin, administrative assistant
to L. Rohe Walter, Asst. PMG for
Philatelic Affairs.
"Bob" Fellers, who made such a
splendid record in his 30 years as
head of the POD's Division of Phi-
latelically, was on hand meeting his
many friends and enjoying the "car-
rying on". From the Smithsonian
George Turner, Curator of that or-
ganization's Division of Philately
and Postal History and his Associ-
ate Curator, Francis J. McCall. (Mr.
McCall is the new editor of Linn's
British Empire Review, the weekly
column which deals with philatelic
happenings in the Colonies and Do-
minions).

Had several nice sessions with
Ernie Kehr in arranging our Fin-
land (this present one) and Luxem-
bourg editions (coming in January).
Besides being stamp editor of the
New York Herald Tribune, he has
loads of other attachments and as-
signments at home and abroad,
which makes him the No. 1 cosmop-
olite of philately.

As in past years Lt. Col. and Mrs.
Donald Sherman (he's the command-
ing officer) had many of the philat-
elic people in for their buffet on
Sunday afternoon. This has come
to be a traditional thing with the
Shermans - their hospitality and
warm friendliness are tendered in
their suite in the Armory.

Just before leaving for home on
Monday we dropped in to the Taft
Hotel Grill for luncheon and a visit
with our stamp collecting friend, or-
chestra leader Vincent Lopez. He
has been at the Taft for 19 years;
the popularity of his music is as
great as ever.

Because of the TWA strike we
flew home in a roundabout way. We
arrived quite tired but filled with
the pleasure of the many fine peo-
ple who had stopped at our booth
and otherwise to say "hello", and
extend their best wishes for the con-
tinued success of our paper.

1. The Swedes and Finns released
for the Tercentenary of the Found-
ing of the Swedish and Finnish Set-
tlement at Wilmington, Del.
2. The Virginia Dare, 48 stamps
to the pane.

U. S. REGULAR

(Continued from page 1)

appearance can compete rather
less poorly with world stamp de-
sign art than do the rest of the
current regulars - and various of
recent commemorative emissions
from Washington.



The newcomer will feature a
front view of The Hermitage,
home of Andrew Jackson, the
seventh President of the United
States, and an historic American
Shrine, according to Postmaster
General Arthur E. Summerfield.
The 21st in the so-called 1954-
1959 regular postage series, it
will be released March 16 at Her-
mitage, Tenn., which is a third-
class post office twelve miles
from Nashville, Tenn. Jackson
purchased a plantation, later fa-
mous as The Hermitage, in 1795,
and made it his permanent home.
He retired there in 1806 to 1812,
and again in 1821.

The stamp is to measure 0.87
by 0.75 of an inch in dimensions,
arranged horizontally. Printing
will be in green, in sheets of 100
subjects, electric-eye perforated.
Across the top of the design, in
white Gothic lettering, will be
"The Hermitage", with "U. S.
Postage", also in white Gothic,
in the lower right. The value
"4 1/2c", in larger white Gothic,

SUOMI-FINLAND

Postimerkkejä - Frimärken

Vihko sisältää:

Häflät innehåller:

4 postimerkkejä	2 mk
4 frimärken	25 p
4 "	1 "
4 "	50 "
4 "	25 "

HINTA - PRIS

20 mk

FINLAND'S FIRST STAMP BOOKLET, shown here was released
in 1936. There have been but two others to date. This one contains
panes of four stamps of the 1930-46 regulars in denominations and
colors of 25p. yellow brown; 50p. blue green; 1Mk. red orange; 1.25Mk.
yellow; 2Mk. carmine. The selling price at post office was 20Mk.
The covers and interleaves have posting information and other ads
of interest. This item is shown through the courtesy of Harry
Moskovitz, treasurer of the Booklet Pane Society.

appears in the lower left corner.

Collectors desiring first day
cancellations of this stamp may
send addressed envelopes to the
postmaster, Hermitage, Tenn., to-
gether with remittances to cover
the cost of the stamps to be af-
fixed. An enclosure of medium
weight should be placed in each
envelope and the flap either
turned in or sealed. The outside
envelope to the postmaster
should be endorsed "First Day
Covers 4 1/2c stamp".

A special pictorial cancellation
is now being used at Pittsburgh,
Pa. reading "Gateway to the Fu-
ture / 1758 / Pittsburgh Bicen-
tennial 1958-59". It also includes
a symbolic view of the triangle,
and the fort from which a sap-
ling is growing.

From December 26 through
January 31 twenty-five cities will
utilize a cancellation including
the wording "Aliens Must Report
Their Addresses During Janu-
ary". Offices scheduled to use
one or more of these cancella-
tions are New York and Buffalo,
N.Y.; Philadelphia and Pitts-
burgh, Pa.; San Francisco, Los
Angeles, Oakland, and San Die-
go, Calif.; Houston, Dallas, San
Antonio, and El Paso, Texas; and
Washington, D. C.

Detroit, Mich.; Baltimore, Md.;
Cleveland, Ohio; Boston, Mass.;
Miami, Fla.; Chicago, Ill.; Mil-
waukee, Wis.; Hartford, Conn.;
Seattle, Wash.; Newark, N. J.;
Portland, Ore.; and Honolulu,
Hawaii, complete the list of such
users.

New Bern, N. C. will utilize a
special cancellation January 1
through June 30 reading "Open-
ing Celebration Tryon Palace,
April, 1959". Chicago, Ill., will
have three hubs reading "1959
Chicago International Fair July
2-18" in use from January 2
through July 18.

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219-229	34.56	49.38	479-488	26.56	31.48	704-715	2.36	3.08
230-238	18.66	26.48	481-484	2.36	2.58	716-729	.86	1.08
239-240	17.66	24.88	498-518	38.76	47.48	730-731	1.26	1.48
264-275	22.56	30.38	535-536	1.76	2.28	740-749	3.86	4.28
279-284	16.46	23.68	538-540-1	3.16	3.98	752-771	1.56	1.88
285-290	16.76	23.68	545-548	7.86	10.88	786-789	1.58	1.88
291-292	69.76	94.48	548-550	3.46	4.98	789-794	.43	.68
300-310	22.56	34.48	551-573	27.36	32.48	803-832	.51	.53
320-a-b	6.96	7.88	575-577	1.06	1.18	852-858	.51	.54
328-330	19.76	26.68	578-579	5.96	8.48	859-865	1.26	1.48
331-341	21.56	29.48	581-591	1.86	2.48	894-908	1.38	1.58
343-347	7.86	8.78	614-616	3.86	4.48	922-952	1.38	1.78
352-355	11.96	14.78	617-619	2.16	2.58	C1-C3	.98	1.28
367-369	13.56	17.48	620-621	3.26	3.78	C4-C8	.71	.88
370-373	7.76	8.48	622-623	.86	1.18	C13-C15	94.56	99.76
385-388	21.56	28.68	630	1.16	1.48	C16-C19	6.28	1.68
390-396	11.56	14.88	632-642	31.06	35.48	C20-C22	.96	1.18
397-400	11.76	14.98	643-646	1.26	1.68	C23-C24	2.26	2.58
401-404	64.56	88.68	647-648	.86	.98	C25-C31	.68	.78
405-407	3.66	4.38	649-658	1.56	1.98	C32-C36	.66	.78
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33-34	1.20	0.80	0.70
35-36	1.20	0.80	0.70
37-38	1.20	0.80	0.70
39-40	1.20	0.80	0.70
41-42	1.20	0.80	0.70
43-44	1.20	0.80	0.70
45-46	1.20	0.80	0.70
47-48	1.20	0.80	0.70
49-50	1.20	0.80	0.70
51-52	1.20	0.80	0.70
53-54	1.20	0.80	0.70
55-56	1.20	0.80	0.70
57-58	1.20	0.80	0.70
59-60	1.20	0.80	0.70
61-62	1.20	0.80	0.70
63-64	1.20	0.80	0.70
65-66	1.20	0.80	0.70
67-68	1.20	0.80	0.70
69-70	1.20	0.80	0.70
71-72	1.20	0.80	0.70
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77-78	1.20	0.80	0.70
79-80	1.20	0.80	0.70
81-82	1.20	0.80	0.70
83-84	1.20	0.80	0.70
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87-88	1.20	0.80	0.70
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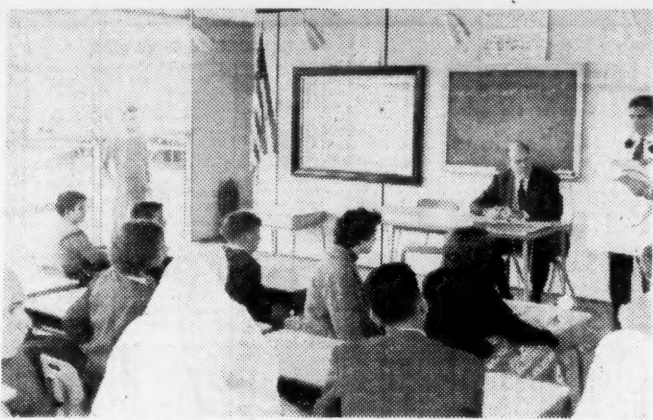
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Impressions Of The Modern Finnish Designers As They Concern Philatelic Artwork

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Two years ago a century had passed since Finland introduced the use of adhesive postage stamps. During all that time, one design dominated most issues — the Lion and Arms of Finland — except a period of oppression when stamps of the Russian model were forced upon us.

From the very beginning, they were printed in our own country, and in most cases by the Stamped Paper Office's printing plant which was incorporated with the Banknote Printing Office of the Bank of Finland, in 1923. In exceptional cases, stamps have been printed abroad, or by private firms at home.

Until 1929, new stamps were issued only rarely. After that year they became more frequent. In 1929 the government staged a competition to get new designs — these appeared in 1930 with the three highest values in a larger size.

Examining the list of artists who have designed our stamps during the last three decades, we find that four have been responsible for more than five — O. W. Ehrstrom, Mrs. Signe Hammarsten-Jansson, Aarne Karjalainen and Olavi Vepsalainen.

Mrs. Hammarsten-Jansson has been the most productive. Her work is to be seen on about 150 different stamps. The number of her sketches is enormous, for each stamp issued she drew at least four or five essays.

Mrs. Hammarsten-Jansson was born in Stockholm in 1882. She studied at the High School of Arts and Handicrafts there, and later added to her artistic education by travels to France, Italy and England.

In Paris she met her future husband, a well-known Finnish sculptor whom she married in 1913. The family has three children who have inherited artistic talents from their parents.

Mrs. Hammarsten-Jansson joined the Banknote Printing Office in 1924, and retired in 1954. During this period she made not only stamps, but designed bonds, banknotes and seals as well as watermarks. As a free-lance artist, she made caricatures, book jackets and cards for charitable institutions.



Aarne Karjalainen —Kehr Photo

At about the same time Aarne Karjalainen (born 1898) joined our list of stamp designers. As an entrant in the 1929 contest, he scored with the 5 and 10 Mark stamps issued in 1930. He studied at the Art school in Viipuri and at that of the Athenaeum in Helsinki. He also is a qualified lithographer, having studied this art in Paris.

Mr. Karjalainen obtained his technical experience at the Viipuri Book-and-Lithographic Printery; as designer at the architectural office of U. Ullberg; at Tilgmann, Ltd., and as chief of the illustrating section of the Advertising Department of Uusi Suomi. He joined the Bank of Finland in 1934.

The actual work of Mr. Karjalainen is the design of securities. The 5000Mk. banknote, designed by him in 1939, was considered by contemporaries as the finest example of graphic arts considering artistic and technical perfection. Mr. Karjalai-

nen considers the Ida Aalberg (1957), Raabe (1949), Gebhard (1949), the sports set (1945) and the Telegraph (1955) his most beautiful works.

He has expressed himself about stamps: "A good stamp is a valuable, effective publicity instrument for the country and for the event or person it is issued for. It ought to reflect the nature of the country and its people, its history and civilization. Therefore it must be dignified and well designed; the motif must be carefully chosen, completed with artistic taste.

"Good stamps explain their message at first glance in concentrated and concrete form. The designs should not require a great deal of explanation. They must be printed on good paper using the most effective printing processes available.

"The intaglio method (whether printed in one or more colors) is justified because of its artistic superiority. If more than one color is to be used, then they ought to be harmonious and moderate, not simply used for gaudiness.

"One must remember that a stamp is a miniature security, therefore, all phases of work on it — from first sketch to final quality control — should be meticulously performed. In the chain of all steps there can not be a single weak link which might spoil the whole work. Every step must be exemplarily perfect. If the artist, for example, designs a sports picture, every detail of the design must be technically correct as well as artistic, lest when it appears, both artist and nation be criticized for carelessness by followers of the sport.

"In designing a portrait, the picture should not only superficially 'resemble' the personality, it must capture the very character of the model with his most personal features. For an artist to do less means either that he does not have the skill and talent expected of him, or that he is a careless craftsman."



Olavi Vepsalainen —Kehr Photo

Artist Olavi Vepsalainen has been working at the Bank of Finland since 1952, but in that relatively short time he has turned out about twenty different designs. Born in 1927, he studied at the High School for Handicrafts from 1949 to 1952. In addition to stamp designing, Mr. Vepsalainen works as a free-lance artist and has done book jackets and illustrations for various publishers. As a painter he participated in several art exhibitions and won prizes, among them the State's Art Competition in 1957.

His comments about stamps:

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BRITISH EMPIRE REVIEW

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An announcement has been made by the General Post Office, London, that the final issues of the Sixth British Empire and Commonwealth Games commemorative set are now being made from rapidly exhausting stocks. This attractive set of three values, 3d, 6d and 1/3, was put on sale July 18.

It promises to be just as popular as the other recent special issues. Many collectors prefer to purchase blocks of four as the face value is low, and a handsome album page can be presented with a short write-up and perhaps a first day cover.

As with United States stamps, they will remain valid for the prepayment of postage after remaining supplies at local post offices have been sold. Final figures of the quantities are expected shortly.

The Crown Agents have announced that the Federation of Malaya's sales of the ECAFE commemorative stamp issue were:

	12c	30c
Local	367,188	477,281
Crown Agents	71,004	71,254
Total	438,192	548,535

Based on these figures, the number of complete sets printed is less than one half million. The stamps, which were released March 5 in sheets of 50 (5x10), were removed from sale June 30. An interesting study can be made, at small expense, by hunting for one used set from each of the ten states which comprise the Federation: Kedah, Kelantan, Malacca, Negri Sembilan, Pahang, Penang, Perak, Perlis, Selangor, and Trengganu. De La Rue & Co., Ltd., were the printers.

This commemorative issue is another example of our stamps being used to publicize important world

events. ECAFE are the initials of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East.

This annual conference, which was held in Kuala Lumpur March 5-15, was attended by political and economic leaders of many countries. We all recognize the importance of economic stability in these trying times, and the efforts of the new Federation of Malaya are most commendable.

West Indies Federation stamps, with the exception of Trinidad and Tobago, will be on sale for one year unless stocks are previously exhausted. Three values were issued early this year by each unit of this ever popular group: Antigua, Barbados, Dominica, Grenada, Jamaica, Montserrat, St. Christopher-Nevis-Anguilla, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, and Trinidad and Tobago. Not much time remains before these adhesives will be out of print and prices start to rise.

Bermuda — A new 6d has been ordered from Bradbury Wilkinson & Co., Ltd. to commemorate the restoration and reopening of the post office formerly operated by W. B. Perot in Hamilton. It will replace the 6d stamp of the current series. The design will include a portrait of Her Majesty and the St. Edward Crown, and will feature the post office.

The stamp will be recess printed in two colors, black and mauve, in horizontal format, in the same size as the current issue. White "C. A. Script" watermarked paper will be used and the date of issue announced shortly.

It might be well to set aside a few blocks of the current 5d value featuring a native bird flying over water. This same design was repeated on the 8d value last May 16, and then it was only a question of time until the 6d would be changed. Increased airmail rates necessitated the issuance of the 8d which was not part of the original 1953 set.

British Solomon Islands — A new value, one Pound, was issued on November 5, in sheets of 60 stamps (6x10). The design shows the Queen facing right within an oval, surmounted by the crown. The coat of arms of the colony, the inscription, and the value occupy most of the

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remaining portion of the stamp. This occasion is only the second time a Pound value has been released, the previous time having been in 1914 as part of the King George V set.

Pitcairn Islands — Also on November 5, a new 4d with altered caption appeared in sheets of 60 (10x6). The equivalent value in the current set was withdrawn from sale at the close of business November 4.

Bechuanaland — A new 4d regular has been ordered from Waterlow & Sons, Ltd. It will be printed by the recess process in orange, in the same design and size as the current series. In sheets of 60 (10x6) it was scheduled to be released on December 1.

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The first issue, the ovals of 1856, are about the only ones that have come in for major study and are considered to have been "finished". A compendium of all knowledge about them was published in book form by Leo Linder in 1956. (Mr. Linder presented a personal lecture and conducted an open forum on this subject during the FINLANDIA exhibition. Visitors who attended agreed that it was one of the most formidable pieces of work in philatelic history. Ed).

The next issue, the 1860 set which is characterized by its large serpentine perforations, is presently under thorough examination by Finnish scholars who expect to complete their work and publish a book on the subject by 1960.

In 1866 Finnish stamps were inscribed with the national unit of currency, penni and markka, to replace the former Kopek and Ruble. During the 1866-75 period the serpentine-perforation stamps bearing the new currency inscriptions appeared in several distinct issues that may be identified by variations in the perforation gauges, types of paper, colors of the design and paper. All of these have been subjected to serious study by philatelists all over the world. At the present time these are generally grouped as a single "issue", but we expect that after more study a clearer classification will be adopted.

Questions which yet remain to be satisfactorily answered are: "How do the differences in perforation sizes agree with different printings?" and, "What is the relation between

differences in paper and different printings?" These are but a pair of undetermined problems. Many more exist, and since these stamps still are available without financial strain, it is hoped that more scholars will apply their talents to the questions that they may one day come up with the correct and complete solutions.

The stamp printed in the largest quantity was the 20 pen blue, of which 2,829,000 were sold. Almost as common is the 40 pen with a printing of 2,564,069. Other quantities are: 5 pen, 658,000; 10 pen, 588,000; 8 pen, 445,000, and 1 Mark, 81,420.

The issues of 1875 have been subjected to much less study than the "serpentine". But they pose many additional difficulties for the philatelist. Most of the problems of the earlier issues appear, but since the printer was changed for this set, there are questions which need clarification. So far, the best work on this subject was done on the 20 pen blue of 1875. This stamp was seriously studied by A. Salmenkylä, who suggested a subdivision on the basis of printings, which according to him, are discernible.

The large quantities printed of this value make investigation interesting and do not necessarily involve any great financial strain. Just as interesting and problematic is the 5 pen orange of this same issue. In the opinion of the writer, the aforementioned sets are those which would most piquantly attract a scientifically minded philatelist. But, naturally, the later issues are just as worthy of study; especially the issues of 1901-11, the research on which is only now beginning.

It is worthy of note that the comparatively recent stamps of Finland offer many study possibilities. This particularly applies to the issues of the World War II era and immediately following it. During this period there was an acute shortage of materials required for stamp production . . . paper, gum and ink pigments. These shortages were responsible for a number of differences in individual stamps of the same issues.

The study of the 1940-50 stamps is made more interesting by the fact that the same design, Lion and Arms of Finland, was used from 1930 to 1954, and appeared on sixty different stamps. The writer began a study of these in 1947, and has found it most exciting. The work resulted in the building of an extensive collection, and encouraged other Fin-

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nish scholars to enter into the same type of research.

This issue (1930-54) is particularly popular with collectors who are limited by financial funds, since most of them were printed in million-quantities and are easily available in sufficient lots to enable one to examine and study the stamps. This issue affords an opportunity of learning the serious study techniques: the discovery and recognition of variations in paper, ink colors, gum, perforations. This is the kind of practice which is useful in preparing a philatelist for work along the same lines with the classic issues.

In general, Finnish stamps are interesting subjects for any kind of philatelic study. The writer is certain that if a collector begins work on these, he soon will fall in love with them, especially because the stamps themselves are so beautiful. In Europe interest in Finnish issues has developed with remarkable speed, but even now supplies are abundant. This is the time to

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Finnish postage stamps, which had their centennial in March 1956 (and in honor of which the large international exhibition, FINLANDIA-56 was staged) follow the tendencies and general pattern of other countries' issues. Within the limits of policies and statutes, Finnish stamps comprise a pictorial gallery which reflects the historical attainments of the nation. They recall Russian rule; they proclaim Finland's autonomy on December 6, 1917; they depict the construction of a new republic and the growth of economic and industrial life. They tell about the great men and women, Finland's institutions and organizations, and mirror the struggle of preserving independence in the face of great national peril.

The provisions in force in Finland, in regard to the issuing of postage stamps, generally follow lines adopted in the United States. But in some details these regulations differ considerably. This is especially obvious with regard to the use of portraits. In the United States no living person may be portrayed; this limitation is not enforced in Finland, and for that reason Finnish stamps have reproduced the effigies of its notables during their lifetimes.



Elias Lonnrot

The first portrait appears on a commem issued by Finland on January 1, 1931 to mark the centenary of the Finnish Literary Society. This 1mk. value portrays Elias Lonnrot (1802-1844), a man whose life was devoted to the collection of epic poems and their assembly as the Kalevala. This is the Finnish National Epic and spiritual monument to the Finnish people's antecedents over a period of 1000 years. I might mention that Kalevala has been translated into more than twenty languages and that the Finnish edition has run to about 500,000 copies.

In December of the same year another portrait stamp was issued in honor of the then-president Pehr Evind Svinhufvud's 70th birthday. Svinhufvud, who, during the oppression years of the Russian occupation, attained the dignity of the leader of the opposition, acted as chairman of the so-called Independence Senate, in 1917. He had been exiled to Siberia for three years before. He was Finland's first regent, in 1918, its Prime Minister in 1930-31, and president of the republic from 1931 to 1937. His effigy appears for a second time on a stamp of 1944, issued to mark his death.

To date, six of Finland's presidents have been honored by postage stamps. The first president of the republic and creator of Finnish Legislation, Kaarlo Juho Stahberg was portrayed on a stamp that commemorates his 80th birthday, in 1945.



President Risto Ryti

The commemorative in honor of Kyosti Kallio, issued in 1941, sets forth the dramatic situation when this popular head of state—gravely strained by the Winter War and its consequences—entered the train to leave for his native village for a well-deserved rest. The president, accompanied by Field Marshal Mannerheim and Prime Minister Ryti, was inspecting an honorary company

author who became famous through her pioneering of the movement for women's intellectual independence, despite obstacles and prejudice. In 1957 a commemorative was issued to celebrate the centenary of the birth of Ida Aalberg, the famous Finnish actress.

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to the strains of the Army's March of Honor when he collapsed in the arms of his associates and expired, on December 19, 1940.

Risto Ryti, who succeeded Kallio, was honored in 1941, with a set of six bearing his portrait.



Field Marshal Mannerheim

At the same time another six-value set was issued to honor Carl Gustav Mannerheim, Marshal of Finland, who later became the country's president. Four years previously, another stamp had been released to mark this patriot's 70th birthday. It represented him as Commander-in-Chief during the War of Independence, and the World War II. His portrait appeared for the last time in 1952—a year after his death—on three Red Cross semipostals.



President J. K. Paasikivi

President Juho Kusti Paasikivi was portrayed on two stamps, one in 1947, to pay tribute to his eminence as a statesman and citizen; the other, 1950, to mark his 80th birthday.

The semipostals issued for the benefit of the Red Cross have been designed to honor many great Finns. The 1933 set portrays three bishops, and in the succeeding years, a trio of military commanders, scientists, statesmen and chairmen of the Diet, and other prominent figures.

Until the beginning of 1958 Finland issued 61 different stamps, each of which portrays and honors some distinguished, well-known personality. Twenty-nine of them have represented statesmen or military commanders; the remainder are divided between representatives of science and art, sports, the Church and other cultural fields of attainment.



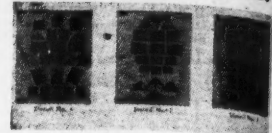
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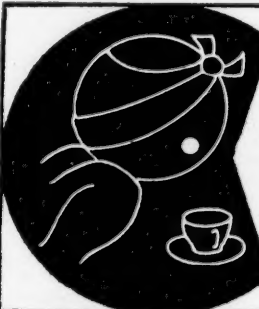
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Report Of Findings On The Tete-Beche 20 Penni Blue Stamps Of Finland, 1882-84

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The present report is not in any way a completed philatelic study. It is rather a story about an "experiment", to obtain further philatelic information. It began, quite by chance, when I acquired three tete-beche pairs of the 20 penni blue as "decoration material" for my regular collection. I wanted to place them in my album in the same position they occupied on the original sheet as issued. However, to have that detail accurate and clear, I had to undertake a bit of research, which, due to the lack of necessary time, still remains unfinished. Nevertheless, it enables me to offer the following observations.

First, some general information about the 20 penni stamp of the 1875 design. These, today, are divided into two main printing groups — the Senate Bureau of Printing (1875-81); the Stamped Paper Office (1882-84). Real tete-beches (those produced when a single cliché was placed in the printing form upside down in relation to the adjacent clichés) are encountered only in stocks printed at the latter plant. Therefore, I shall not concern myself with the stamps produced by the Senate Bureau of Printing.

The Stamped Paper Office's printings formerly were divided into three groups:

1. Backhoff (1882)
2. Brandstake I (1883)
3. Brandstake II (1884)

These are to be distinguished one from the others by their typographic makeup. The groups derive their name from the persons who were principals of the Stamped Paper Office's print shop. In the most recent Finnish catalogue manual (S.P. 1957) the last unit is further subdivided into two sub-groups.

The last issue(s?) differ from the ones printed earlier in 1884 and have been separated to form the additional section now called "Brandstake III". That issue, which comprised 225,000 stamps, or about 3% of the Stamped Paper Office's entire output, was sent to the Post Office towards the end of October 1884. These are found with cancellations of November-December 1884, and to an exceptional extent, as late as January 1885.

Philatelic literature states that tete-beches, their position and numbers vary in the different printings, but that they exist in all of the printings made at the Stamped Paper Office. In some imperforate sheets it has been observed that in the Backhoff printing there are two tete-beches, in positions 53 and 93 in the sheet. Among others, the 1924 catalogue of the Swedish Postal Museum describing the donations of Col. Hans Lagerloef, states that the museum owns a part sheet proving the positions of the tete-beches. (This catalogue states that the mentioned sheet is of the 1875 issue, i.e., that of the Senate Bureau of Printing, but the accompanying photograph proves that it is not. It clearly shows that it is of the Backhoff printing of 1882).

One of my own tete-beche pairs is from the same printing and its position in the sheet turned out to be #93 (+94). The characteristics of the corresponding cliché are clear thickenings in both the innermost and thin lower circles (N-W), when the cliché is seen right side up. I also have seen the tete-beche position 53, but its cliché was so "normal" that I am unable to describe any distinguishing marks.

According to experts, the Backhoff printing was executed by means of the same clichés as those used for the Senate's last ones. On the other hand, opinions about the Brandstake clichés differ. From researches carried out on the plates, I have come to the conclusion that new clichés must have been used for these printings, with which at least the first 20 penni yellow stamps of the 1885 issue were produced. However, I no longer shall deal with this controversy. As far as I know, no full sheet of Brandstake I has been found, and so, the position and number of tete-beches of that printing are unknown.

One of my tete-beches pairs was from this Brandstake I printing, and the characteristics of the cliché correspond with the descriptive given by Col. Arvid Ohman in his work, "Klischeeverschiedenheiten bei den Finnischen Briefmarken", published in 1933 (his illustration #167). All the tete-beches of that printing which I have seen to date, have been printed from the very same cliché, differing clearly from the Backhoff tete-beche clichés. Since the tete-beche has appeared in a horizontal pair both at left and

right, we can say—for the time being—that its position under no circumstances can be on either of the outside vertical rows of the sheet.

In the Brandstake Printings II and III of 1884, the tete-beches are found to be in positions 11 and 30, where they appear on full, preserved sheets. Such a full sheet is to be found, for example, in the Finnish Postal Museum at Helsinki. Since my third tete-beche pair was from the Brandstake II printing, and a so-called right-hand one, it must be position #30.

(If a pair is taken from a sheet where the tete-beche forms part of the right hand part, the right hand stamp always is in the inverted position, even though the pair is turned upside down. Its position in the sheet, therefore, must have been #30).

But this is not the case. The clichés were not the same. Before that I had compared my tete-beche with another sheet and the result was the same. A comparison with a horizontal Brandstake II strip of three, owned by an acquaintance, in which the tete-beche was at the right end, gave the same negative result. I was perplexed, for in my own tete-beche there were marks which are distinctive from the Brandstake II printing. This proved the tete-beche should have been from the right hand side of the sheet.

The matter became clear after I examined another horizontal Brandstake II strip of three belonging to my friend. In this item, the tete-beche was in the center and printed from the same cliché as the tete-beche of the previously mentioned strip of three.

I had already noticed that the full sheets I had examined did not belong to the Brandstake II printing, but to that of Brandstake III, because in them there were two accidental plate flaws, in stamps Nos. 11 and 30, which I have found only in the Brandstake III printings and in that of the first yellow 20 penni.

These and some later comparisons offer evidence that the Brandstake II tete-beches were printed from other clichés and that at least one of the Brandstake II tete-beches had its place in the center of the sheet. Consequently, somewhere else than in positions 11 and 30. Since all the full sheets (three) which I have seen until now have been Brandstake III printings, it may be that even earlier investigators saw only sheets of this printing and assumed that all tete-beches of the 1884 issue came from positions 11 and 30 without studying the clichés from which the tete-beches were printed.

To date I have not seen any cancelled tete-beche pairs of the Brandstake III printing, even though I have found single used copies of stamps printed from the inverted cliché.

The reader may ask, "in what positions do the Brandstake II tete-beches exist?" Since I have never seen any full sheets of this printing (I wonder whether any exist!), I can not give you any firm answer. The approximately fifteen I have studied have been printed from two different clichés. I have found one from a Brandstake III sheet in position #23. My study with the aid of blocks of four and strips in plating the Brandstake II sheet, show that this sheet's tete-beche is in the same position.

The other inverted cliché evidently is to be found in the same position at the right side of the sheet, because I have not found it on the left. But if it is in position #30, or lower down, this is not yet clear. (I have seen a strip vertical in which the tete-beche was undermost).

Up to this time I am able to state that in the Brandstake II and III printings, the cliché seems to come in the same position of the sheet, even if some divergencies appear.

An outstandingly surprising circumstance is worth mention-

Christmas Pair From France December 8

The usual Christmas stamps — this year a pair — were issued in France December 6, according to Gimbel's Stamp & Coin Dept., New York. The 15 francs plus 7fr. shows a portrait of St. Vincent de Paul (1581-1660); the 20fr. plus 8fr. depicts one of J. H. Dunant (1828-1910). Colors, printings and other data are not stated.



St. Vincent de Paul was the founder of the religious order which bears his name. Dunant was a Swiss author and philanthropist, founder of the Red Cross Society, and co-winner of the first Nobel prize for peace.

The two adhesives carry surtaxes for charitable use, according to established custom.

I have recently found both the Brandstake II tete-beche clichés in normal position in pairs. These are postmarked January 1, 1884, and February 7, 1884. The earliest postmark I found on a tete-beche of this printing group is March 2, 1884, which would seem that no tete-beches appeared on the Brandstake II sheets during the first printing.

To judge from some other pairs, the arrangement of clichés in the Brandstake II sheet was different (in at least two cases) in the beginning and end of the year. It is possible that the arrangement changes were made when the tete-beches were discovered.

So my story ends. Perhaps the reader will be interested to know that when I began my studies, two of the tete-beche pairs in my collection were inverted. On the basis of the studies they now are mounted in the correct position.

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In recent years philatelists have noted the fantastic increase in topical collecting's popularity. There seems to be no limit to the motive selected, for stamp subjects illustrate virtually every human and inanimate activity.

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Among the most popular topics are those which deal with national arms or the heads of state. The first Finnish stamp of 1856 featured the arms of Finland and retained this subject until 1891, when the Russian double-eagle made its appearance. Our stamps continued to use the Russian arms until 1917, when the nation declared its independence, and again adopted our own arms.

The first truly "topical" stamps of Finland, other than the arms, are the commemoratives of 1929, to mark the 700th anniversary of Turku. These represent navigation, church and castle. Stamps of this kind have been issued since, too. There are the sets of 1931, when the subjects of the Red Cross issue included the old church of Hattula and the castles of Hamenlinna and Viipuri. That same year saw the introduction of a new theme, that of famous Finns, with the portrait of Elias Lonnrot, on the centennial of the Finnish Literary Society.



These may be considered as part of a collection devoted to history and literature stamps. Toward the end of the same year, we issued a stamp to mark the 70th birthday of our contemporary president, P. E. Svinhufvud, the first stamp to honor a head of our state. Another tribute to another head of state was issued in 1945, when we marked the 80th birthday of President K. J. Stahlberg.

Nor has the political life of Finland been neglected. The Red Cross issue of 1938 presents the chairmen of the Diet in 1863. In 1957, we commemorated the 40th anniversary of Finland's independence.

The industrial and the commercial, as well as the economic and cultural life of our nation are generously represented on Finnish stamp issues. The first of these is the Delaware showing Finnish colonists landing in America.



A new topical theme - the Labor Movement - is introduced by the Workers' Federation stamp issued in 1946, to commemorate the federal jubilee. The stamp shows a male and female gymnast jointly holding aloft a laurel wreath. The Labor Movement was again commemorated in 1949. At that time, a stamp was

issued to commemorate the 50th anniversary of its founding.

The "war" motif appears in the designs of the 1934 Red Cross semipostals, at which time we have honored several of our national heroes - patriots who defended their nation against invasion and aggression. The East-Karelia stamps bearing the effigies of Field Marshal C. G. Mannerheim and President Rytty, may be included in this thematic classification.

The celebration of the centenary of the Finnish national epic, Kalevala, introduces to our stamps an art style characteristic of Professor Akseli Gallen-Kallela. The Kalevala's 2 1/2 Mk. picture is a reproduction of his painting, "Kullervo's Departure for War".

Another which belongs to the "art" category is the centennial commemorative of Albert Edelfelt's birth. The vignette of this one reproduces his "The Outer Archipelago", and has been widely praised as one of Finland's most beautiful stamps.

(It was Edelfelt who painted in 1885, the most familiar picture of Louis Pasteur in his laboratory. This painting now hangs in one of the main galleries at the Athenaeum in Helsinki. Ed.)



Public Health is another subject which Finnish stamps have recognized. Those issued in 1947, for the benefit of the Association to Combat Tuberculosis in Finland depict steps in the care of children's health. One might also include in this group the "sauna" stamp of 1949, for these uniquely Finnish baths are responsible for the general excellent health of our people.

The Red Cross and Anti-Tuberculosis stamps, issued annually, form their own group as thematic designs. And then, too, we might suggest that those issued for the four major philatelic exhibitions in Finland are worthy of inclusion in a topical collection devoted to such issues. We refer to the sets of 1928, 1948, 1955 and 1956. Nor have we overlooked "sports". This field may include the stamps of 1946, 1947, 1952, 1956, plus the semipostals of 1938, 1944, and of course the Olympics of 1952.



The reader will appreciate that this has been but a general coverage. Almost every Finnish stamp falls into at least one topical category. There are those which unquestionably are flora and fauna; aviation and many others. The topicalist who is keen will find that our nation will add to his collection not only many stamps which which to fill his albums, but also specimens he will enjoy for their beauty of subject and design.

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Germany. Early balloons and dirigibles were followed by planes
which took to the skies from 1908 to the start of World War I.We can not tell the Lufthansa story without going back to
mention the "Old Lufthansa". To start the history of this line we
must go back to 1919 when the "International Air Traffic Association
(IATA) was formed at the suggestion of Great Britain.Germany, Holland and Norway
became founder members along
with Britain. The primary
condition of membership was the
operation of an international air
service based on a regular time-
table.Soon after the IATA, Aero-
Lloyd and Junkers Luftverkehr
(Junkers Air Transportation)
merged to form Lufthansa Ger-
man Airlines. The new firm took
to the skies soon after its date of
formation January 6, 1926. On
May 1, 1926 the first passenger
night flights took place on the
Berlin-Koenigsberg route.Early in 1927 Lufthansa began
touching such cities as Dresden,
Prague, Stetin, Copenhagen, Go-
tenburg, and Oslo. Philatelists in
all parts of the globe own some
of the special cards which were
issued on many of these flights
at the German point of dispatch.We can not speak about the
early "Old Lufthansa" flights
without mentioning that on July
23, 1926 two Junkers G 24 planes
flew from Tempelhof Airport,
Berlin via Russia and Siberia to
China in order to survey some
far eastern routes. It is not
known whether any mail was
carried on this flight; however,
the feat was an outstanding bit
of aviation history.Lufthansa was instrumental in
bringing about important sea-
plane flights as well as ship-to-
shore mail via catapult service in
1929. Many collectors own copies
of the "SS BREMEN" catapult
mail. In fact, this material could
well fit into any German collec-
tion for German aviation history
in many cases ties in with its ad-
hesive postage stamps.A first day and first flight combination is presented on this cover of
June 8, 1955 which was carried on the first flight of Germany's
"LUFTHANSA" from Hamburg to New York. The special set of
airmail stamps, 5, 10, 15, and 20 pfennigs in value, was released on
that day. The cancellation, cachet and Lufthansa cachet (on the back)
pay tribute to the important inaugural event.ments could be brought into use.
The findings of this group
brought out both the necessity
and the practicability of a Ger-
man airline.With the approval of the Allies,
the Federal Cabinet agreed to the
formation of a preparatory com-
pany. This was created by the
Federal Ministry of Transport
with the participation of the Fed-
eral Railways and State of Nord-
rhein-Westfalen on January 6,
1953. This company became
known as "LUFTAG".The infant line had the
weighty problem of choosing
craft with which to commence
operations. The "proven" Con-
vair CV340 was selected for Eu-
ropean service. The four-engined
Lockheed Super-Constellations
were added for the intercontinental
routes. Later a few Douglas
DC-3's entered the scene to be
used as auxiliary craft.The major factor in the choice
of these various craft was that
all of them had recorded many
passenger miles and flying hours
of safe operation—and safety was
the factor which LUFTAG was
looking for.A base and technical center
became the next major problem.
The choice fell on Hamburg since
it was contemplated that most
Lufthansa flights were to be
radiated from this point. This
would make it possible to service
craft during the nonoperating
time allowed by the timetable
for servicing, checking and over-
haul. Therefore, Fuhlsbuttel Air-
port became the contemplated
base for the new line.An operations staff, pilots and
mechanics were needed to fly
and maintain the craft. The in-
itial pilots were drawn from cap-
tains who had had experience
with the "Old Lufthansa" line.
Some were former German Air
Force men who had suitable flying
experience in large craft.A school was started in Sep-
tember 1953 which utilized lec-
turers from other airlines who
imparted their knowledge in
navigation, meteorology, radio,
and various other technical
phases of operation. The ground
crews were given intensive train-
ing courses lasting some six
months in various phases of air-
craft maintenance.On August 6, 1954 the name
was changed to "DEUTSCHE
LUFTHANSA AKTIENGESELL-
SCHAFT"—LUFTHANSA.Spring of 1955 brought permis-
sion from Allied Authorities and
from the Federal Minister of
Transport to start proving flights
within Federal territory as of
March 1, 1955 before inaugurat-
ing a commercial service between
German airports from April 1,
1955.In May 1955 came the return
of air sovereignty to the Federal
Republic and the last restrictions
on German air transport were a
thing of the past. Services to the
European countries commenced
May 15, 1955.Many collectors are familiar
with Lufthansa first flight cov-
ers. Linn's has shown many ex-
amples of the early 1955 Euro-
pean first flights. Points hit in-
cluded Hamburg-Dusseldorf to
London; another route was Ham-
burg-Frankfurt to Paris. City
after city was added to the Luft-
hansa coverage.The first flight to the United
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In fact, a set of stamps was is-

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There is not much of ink or bulk to an ordinary period in a line of type, but when it doubles as a dec-imal point and then hops around a space or two, it can stir up an awful lot of trouble. That happened in the page 52 ASDA issue of Eddie Mendelowitz, 1285 Merriam Ave., Bronx 52, N. Y. His UN bisect FDC's are \$35 - not 35c - per pair!

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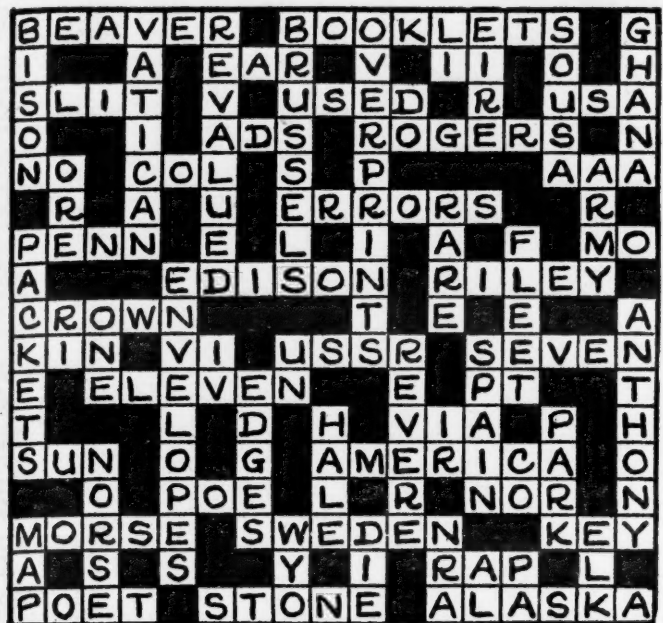
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Mysterious Due, "Bounty Fee" Marks On Hejaz-Suez-India 1885 Item Still Foil Experts

Bruce Conde

Has any Linn's reader a cover mailed from Jeddah—the pilgrims' port of Mecca, on the Red Sea—to India, via Aden, in the mid-1880's, with a "Postage Due" handstamp with the words "Bounty Fee, 1 anna" inserted in manuscript in an appropriate box, at the bottom?

Covers from Jeddah to India during this period are not scarce, but only one has ever shown up with the above marking, which has stumped all the experts on two continents. To make matters worse, there is an additional handstamp reading: "Overland Postage Due, A/7", and the usual international "T" in a circle marking.

The rest of this cover is normal for the period: Jeddah cancel, Suez (S.P.O.) and Aden transit markings and Bombay arrival, c.d.s., and the normal amount of Turkish postage is prepaid by adhesive stamps.



Sketches of mysterious markings on a Middle East cover March 22, 1885.

Saudi Arabia (including Hijaz-Nejd and Turkish forerunners) and Aden specialist H. Hibbert, of 57, Warwick Road, St. Ann's on Sea, Lancashire, England, has such a cover. Years of correspondence with the experts, specialist study clubs, and general philatelic public has not yielded a single clue as to the identity, meaning, origin, or period of use of the "Bounty Fee" and "Overland Postage Due" markings of this cover of March 22, 1885.

There are five additional covers in the same correspondence, between 1884 and 1888, all from the same source in Jeddah to the same addressee in Bombay, but nary a trace of either "Bounty" or "Overland" markings on any of the others, which carried the same amount of Turkish postage as the 1885 one!

Mr. Hibbert, first became interested in Middle East stamps in 1915-19 while on military service here (including a stint with the guerrilla forces of the famous T. E. Lawrence "of Arabia" against the Hijaz Railway). His search finally reached the top level of experts on covers and postal markings of the period when he consulted Robson Lowe of Britain and Jal Cooper of India. Mr. Cooper thought that the "Bounty Fee" might relate to a plan to provide financial aid for pilgrims to Mecca, but admitted that this was only an educated guess. He had never seen such markings before and had no idea why they should only appear on an 1885 cover.

Mr. Hibbert, who is a keen student of postal history, wants to know, from anyone in possession of additional markings of this nature, the answers to the following five questions:

- 1), What is the reason for the "Bounty Fee" MS marking in the Postage Due box, as illustrated?
- 2), At what place would this boxed "Postage Due" marking be placed on the cover?
- 3), What is the reason for the circular "Overland Postage Due, A/7", also illustrated?
- 4), Since the normal amount of Turkish postage is prepaid by adhesives, why should the international "T" marking be applied?
- 5), Where could this have been placed on the cover?

The writer, who has some experience with Turkish-Aden-India postal markings and usage during the late 19th and early 20th centuries, has never before come across any of the "mystery markings" found on this 1885 cover. So, like Jal Cooper, from the India end of the line, can only hazard educated guesses as to any possible reason for the markings at this, the Arabian end of the circuit.

In the first place, G. Wyman Bury, in his book "Arabia Infelix, or The Turks in Yemen" (sic), says, on page 166 (1914 data), that mail service to Aden by Red Sea steamers via Hodeida was unpunctual, because the Ottoman government would not pay a mail subsidy.

This suggests the possibility that in 1885, at least, Aden (which was then using Indian money), paid a bounty fee to a shipping line during a period when the Sublime Porte (as in Mr. Bury's time) was not subsidizing mail shipments down the Red Sea. It would follow that the Aden postal authorities collected this fee by arrangement with the Indian Post Office in Bombay by a 1 anna postage due charge. It may be that the Turks then made suitable arrangements and that this was a short-lived expedient.

As for the "Overland Postage

Due", if the 7/A marking means "7 annas", we are on less firm ground, for the only overland service involved would presumably be a camel caravan up the Arabian coast of the Red Sea from Jeddah via Aqaba to Suez, to carry mail at a time when ships were not scheduled to arrive at Jeddah. Or, as suggested by the "Bounty" marking, it might have applied at a time when the Ottoman authorities were not paying ships a mail subsidy, with a corresponding boycott of mail by the shipping lines for the moment.

Mr. Hibbert had heard, from other sources, about this caravan mail service, which would probably be more expensive than ship mail.

Since the "Overland Postage Due" marking is in English, however, it could only mean Suez or Aden, both of which were under British occupation at the time. We have disposed of the "Bounty" marking at Aden, in Indian currency.

But since Suez was using Egyptian currency (mils and piasters), it would be surprising for the Suez Post Office to collect for the Overland caravan mail from Turkish Arabia to (nominally) Turkish Egypt in Indian currency unless (and this is not improbable) arrangements had also been made between the Suez and Bombay Post Offices to collect this fee in Indian currency from the addressee.

Carrying our little theory a bit farther it is not difficult to envision Bombay slapping the internationally-recognized "T" marking on the cover to advise the addressee of the UPU nature of the tax—i.e., insufficient postage to pay transit charges between Jeddah and Bombay at that particular time.

It will probably require the services of a person well acquainted with Turkish Arabian postal history for the year 1885 to finally disclose the nature of the circumstances surrounding these unusual and seemingly rare markings, but it does seem not unreasonable to suppose that they were due to a short breakdown in normal Ottoman postal arrangements for mail carriage down the Red Sea.

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Linn's readers having any personal knowledge of this situation are invited to contact either Mr. Hibbert, direct, or, if the data seems of enough general interest to Middle East collectors, to write to Bruce Conde, Taiz, Yemen, for publication in a future issue of this paper.

Due to recent focus of world attention on the Middle East, there seems to be a general increase in interest in the stamps and postal history of this part of the world, and the writer should be happy to pass on any such information of general interest by and for Linn's readers.

LUFTHANSA
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sued by the Federal Republic of Germany for the occasion. A special FF envelope was used on the service. In 1956 a first was made from Chicago to Hamburg with stops at Montreal, Shannon, Manchester, Dusseldorf, Frankfurt, and Hamburg.

June 8 of this year marked the third year of Lufthansa. The craft now employed are Super G Constellations, Convair "Metropolitans" and Douglas DC3's. Soon the concern expects delivery of Vickers Viscounts and later in 1959 some Boeing 707's are to be added to the line's growing list of flying equipment.

Lufthansa's mail revenue shows an increase of 208% from 1955 to 1957. The concern's non-duplicate air route miles had grown to approximately 64,000 by June 1958.

We can report that this line is one with which most of the philatelic world is acquainted. We have seen Lufthansa covers at almost every stamp show we have attended. Further, if there is no official Post Office cachet or cancel the firm will apply its special emblem on most covers.

On some occasions the firm even prints special envelopes, and best of all a Lufthansa first flight is given philatelic treatment on all legs of the flight in most instances. This is an important factor for many collectors are unaware that a flight from one city to another may have pick-up points on several legs of the flight.

Readers who desire the address of LUFTHANSA for further data pertaining to the line may send stamped addressed envelopes (within 10 days of this issue of Linn's) and the details will be sent.

Next we shall go to Italy and investigate the philatelic story of the familiar crossbow emblem of ALITALIA.

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Pictured here is a Plate Number Block of stamps of Finland. I collect them.



The black line points to the Plate Number. This, and the other figures in the selvage, plus the attached block of six stamps, make up a Finnish Plate Block.

I need various plate number blocks as listed below. Will you please look through your philatelic material then tell me WHAT YOU HAVE and HOW MUCH YOU WANT FOR IT?

Many numbers are quite common — Others have better value. In any event material should be nicely centered, with perfs intact and not split or bent, not dirty, and in blocks of six only as pictured.

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162	—	197 211 223
164	—	241 252 263 268 276 283 289
		293 296 302 305 311 319 348
		360 370 378 411 534 566 576
		590 597 609
166	—	205 212 244 255 271 379 387
		425 430 288 307 459 511
166B	—	527 626
168	—	238 279
169	—	202 384 389
170	—	242 259 270
170A	—	444
170B	—	404 476
171	—	174 201
172	—	236 240 245 251 256 261 267
		273 277 287 290 294 301 306
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173	—	314 325 331 335 346 349 359
		363 371 377 386 391 398 409
		424 431 495

Scott No. WANTED PLATE NUMBERS

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174	—	230 275
174A	—	553
174B	—	403 407 412 423 432 445 473
175	—	175 191 210 253 308
176	—	318 336 390 401 510
176A	—	523 524 533 557 565 571 592
		619
176C	—	518
195	—	173 219 223 197 206
196	—	198 222
212	—	313
222	—	398
258	—	751
261	—	830
273	—	835

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